



Attn: Kim Campbell, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325
Docket E-2 Sub 1257

November 17, 2020

Dear Ms. Campbell,

Green Built Alliance is a nonprofit organization focused on clean energy and green building Western North Carolina. We administer and host the Blue Horizons project.

We write to ask you to please approve the installation of five megawatts of solar on the retired landfill at 2720 Riverside Drive in Woodfin, NC. Duke Energy Progress made a commitment to this community and this project in their Western Carolinas Modernization Project, and we ask that you allow them to proceed. Buncombe County has adopted a 100% renewable energy resolution by 2042 for the county, and we need every bit of locally-installed solar energy possible to help get us there. Green Built Alliance was part of the Energy Innovation Task Force and has worked hard for several years on making clean energy a reality for Buncombe County.

This is a unique project proposal in a unique part of North Carolina. We don't have flat stretches of land like the piedmont and eastern part of the state. Using a retired landfill for a solar installation makes practical sense. No trees will have to be cleared in a community that is fast losing tree canopy, and more valuable land can be reserved for other community-prioritized uses such as affordable housing.

We urge you to approve this docket and support our community and state goals of renewable energy. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
The Staff and Board of Green Built Alliance

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